



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: James R. Prudent *et al.*  
Serial No.: 10/081,806  
Filed: 02/22/02  
Entitled: Nucleic Acid Detection Assays

Group No: 1637  
Examiner: Jeffrey Siew

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

<p align="center"><b>CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a)(1)(i)(A)</b></p> <p>I hereby certify that this correspondence (along with any referred to as being attached or enclosed) is, on the date shown below, being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</p> <p>Dated: <u>March 22, 2004</u></p> <p>By: <u>Mary Ellen Waite</u> Mary Ellen Waite</p>
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Sir or Madam:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total Claims	40	—	63	0	×	18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	3	—	4	0	×	86.00	\$0.00

One Month Extension of Time	\$110.00
SUBTOTAL	\$110.00
Small Entity 50% Filing Fee Reduction	— \$55.00
<b>TOTAL DUE</b>	<b><u>\$55.00</u></b>

1. A check in the amount of **\$55.00** is attached.
2. Please charge any additional fees, including any fees necessary for extensions of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. **08-1290**. **An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.**
3. Petition for extension of time. The undersigned attorney of record hereby petitions for an extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, as may be required, to file this response.

Dated: March 22, 2004

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